

Tension continues between Greeks and Administration

by Thomas Mullings
Strobe staff

Although the scheduled November 15 sit-in at the Sanders Administration Building was canceled, problems between fraternities and sororities and the college administration continue to exist, according to Michael Willwerth of the Fenwicks.

The sit-in, organized by the Intra Fraternity Sorority Council, had a purpose. "The basic idea behind the sit-in was to show the students aggravation and frustration to the administration and its policies which most fraternities and sororities feel are biased.

These are the opinions of some of the members of fraternities and sororities, but not all the fraternities and sororities," Willwerth said.

The sit-in was canceled because IFSC advisors Father Richard Lewandoski and Denise Popko decided it best to go "about it in a different way, and to see what else we could do," he said.

The Fenwicks were "kicked off until further review" in the Spring of 1989 following a hazing inci-

dent. Any fraternity or sorority thrown off-campus is no longer recognized by the college and loses its privileges on the campus. "It really hurts because that's where everyone gets their information," stated Jason Main, president of the Fenwicks.

While Willwerth would like to see the Fenwicks re-instated back on campus, he also thinks that the Student Organization Committee, which decides what organizations are recognized on campus, should have more student control.

Willwerth said the S.O.C. has been unfair. "Due to the opinion of a couple of administrators, they won't allow us back on campus. I feel they're incapable of respecting things they don't understand or fail to understand," he said.

However, Michael Shanley, Director of Information Services, disagrees, "(the Fenwicks) showed a disdain for the laws of campus organizations and made a clear decision to violated the hazing law, the most important law."

"The severity of the penalty they may not think is severe but

(the administration) has taken it very seriously. They will not be reinstated until the student affairs office deems it appropriate," Shanley said.

He said the Fenwicks had denied any involvement in hazing during conversations with the S.A.O. "While pretending to be a legitimate organization no longer involved in hazing, they were," stated Shanley.

Fraternities not involved in hazing have been treated well by the administration. He said, "Once they make the decision to haze, then they are no longer entitled to be treated with the respect we generally give student organizations."

Willwerth believes the hazing laws, instituted by Massachusetts in 1985, are being manipulated by the administration. He said the hazing laws, which he calls "general," are made for the courts to rule its judgment. "We are a little bit bent that the administration works above the law," commented Willwerth.

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War in the Middle east won't shock FSC professor

Moon supports economic bockade

by Todd Weldon
Strobe staff

At a recent Miller Oval discussion, Dr. John Moon, an eight year veteran professor of history raised three questions concerning the U.S. use of chemical weapons if war should break out in Kuwait.

His first question raised the issue of whether chemical weapons were humane compared to other conventional weapons. Supporters, like Werve Agents, believe it cuts down suffering. Moon reacted to the document by saying, "Never mind the physiological after-effects, that's like having war without death."

Another question posed was how useful the weapons were to an unprepared enemy to flush out and exterminate a civilian population. However, the big question is how decisive a weapon it is against a well prepared opponent. Moon believes Iraq will take their territories back through the combined use of conventional and chemical weapons.

The last question Moon was concerned with was whether chemical weapons cause mass destruction. According to Moon, it is a "poor man's atomic bomb." In terms of its destruction power, Moon classifies its strength somewhere between a conventional and nuclear weapon.

Moon referred to periods in American history where

American's used chemical weapons. Between 1944 - 56 and during the presidential office of Roosevelt for retaliation reasons, these weapons were used. Then in 1969, President Nixon ordered the stop of chemical weapons.

However in 1987, President Reagan resumed production of chemical weapons. Moon warns of Hussein's threats to use chemical weapons. The U.S. troops were most vulnerable to chemical warfare during the initial stages of deployment. According to Moon, they were not adjusted to the environmental conditions.

Moon describes Hussein as ruthless but shrewd. It is believed Hussein would use chemical weapons as a last desperate means of force. Moon explained, it would be "a mad dog act."

If the U.S. should use chemical weapons, Moon warns it could be a catastrophic mistake. The U.S. will forgo many casualties. He compares it to a conventional fire effect. The chemicals will drift with the shifting winds and cause thousands of needless civilian casualties.

Moon supports the classical strategy that wars are won by destruction of enemy forces rather than civilian lives. He believes, "The use of chemical weapons comes morally, economically, and politically catastrophic."

Residence Life network makes *World of Difference*

by Brian L'Ecuyer
Student Life

On a rainy Saturday morning in mid November, 25 Resident Assistants and the entire professional Residence Life staff attended an all-day conference at the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester. The conference was entitled "A World of Difference" and is an annual event offered by the Worcester Residence Life Network (WRLN) of which Fitchburg State College is a member.

The conference began at 9:00p.m. with the keynote address given by Valerie Young, Assistant Director of Marketing Communi-

cations for CIGNA Individual Financial Services Company. Dr. Young is a nationally known seminar speaker on topics including professional development for women, sexism, racism and disability awareness. Dr. Young spoke about the role of the Residence Life staff in providing a living atmosphere that develops an appreciation for differing lifestyles and values among the residents. She also discussed the long-term effects upon residents in a living environment after they have left the college setting and have entered the work force.

Conference participants also attended their choice of interest

sessions on topics covering acquaintance rape, stress/burnout, multi-cultural diversity on campus, AIDS awareness, gender differences, energy conservation, and programming skills. Some representatives from F.S.C. also presented workshops throughout the day.

All Resident Assistants are continually trained throughout the year and must attend a certain amount of in-service programs. Program participants received credit for attending the conference but, more importantly, they received a wide variety of information to bring back to the campus.



Dr. Moon and Dr. Erishi speak about the crisis in the Middle East

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Newman Center confessions will be held on Tuesday, December 4th and Wednesday, December 5th from 10:00 - 11:30a.m. and 1:30 - 3:00p.m. (Either face to face or behind screen).

Feast of the Immaculate Conception Masses will be held on Friday, December 7th at 4:30p.m. and Saturday, December 8th at 11:00a.m.

Christmas Mass will be held on Saturday, December 8th at 8:00p.m. in Percival Auditorium. There will be a reception following this Mass in the Newman Center Activity Room.

Counseling Services would like to announce that they will be hosting a self esteem workshop every Thursday throughout the semester from 6:00 - 7:00p.m. in Rm. B-27 of the Hammond Building.

Teaching certificate physical exams are available in Student Health Services until December 18, 1990. The charge is \$5.00. To book an appointment with Dr. Johnson or Kathleen Martin-Estus RN.C, NP, call 345-2151, ext. 3216.

The first annual Campus Center Christmas Buffet to be held in the Commuter's Cafe, will take place on Wednesday, December 5th from 11:00a.m. - 1:30p.m. The cost is \$5.95 per person and the meal card will be accepted as partial payment. The menu includes Chef-carved steamship of beef, Holiday baked ham, turkey tetrazzini, Italian meat balls, candied yams, confetti rice, stir-fry vegetables, assorted salads, relishes, rolls and butter, fresh fruit, cheese, and Christmas cake and cider.

A cuddly plush toy will be donated to the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program for every purchase of American Express Gift Cheques from November 23 through December 31 at one of two local financial institutions (Safety Fund National Bank and People Savings Bank) participating in the American Express Gift Cheque "Most Thoughtful Gift" program. Customers can contribute to Toys for Tots through a joint promotion sponsored by Fitchburg Financial Institutions and American Express Gift Cheques.

Fitchburg State College Student Affairs would like to announce their Adventure Ropes Course, participation is an adventure for both body and mind. The group must have at least ten people and requires about five hours to complete all elements which can be split into two days. The cost is free. For more information, or to schedule your group, please contact the Campus Center.

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1. All submissions must be typed, double spaced and are subject to editing.
2. Letters to the Editor must include the writer's name. If the writer wishes to remain anonymous, THE STROBE will withhold the name, but it still must be included in the letter.
3. Commentaries and letters are to be no more than 450 words in length and are subject to editing.
4. News and announcements from clubs and organizations should be no more than a few sentences.
5. The deadline for letters, announcements and articles is every Monday, nine days before publication date.

Police Beat



Campus Police officers from the Department of Public Safety responded to these incidents between November 5 - 18, 1990. Some of these are alleged incidents and some cases are still under investigation.

Fire alarm activation at Town House #2, caused by steam from shower.

Local youths dispersed from various campus locations in four separate incidents.

Local landlord turned in a recovered stolen pocketbook to Public Safety that he found on Myrtle Avenue, returned to owner.

Report of fireworks being shot off in North Street parking lots. Lot empty upon arrival of officers.

Male reportedly banging on doors at Aubuchon in early morning hours. Officers responded and found female resident and friend locked out of building.

Report of papers being set on fire in Commuter Cafe, found to be someone burning paper in ashtray.

Local youths throwing objects at New Hall windows. Youths gone upon arrival of officers.

Medical call in classroom, officers assisted Health Services staff.

Application for criminal charges filed against students involved in receiving stolen property incident.

Non-student given 100 hours community service, fine and probation at District Court trial from an April '90 campus incident.

Report of a male subject wearing black robe and mask in Commuter Cafe, dispersed by staff before police arrived.

Intoxicated male in Resident Hall damaging property, placed under protective custody.

Items stolen from vehicle on campus, suspects located and property returned to owner the next day.

Breaking and entering into Commuter Cafe and candy stolen, four local youths located, items returned, turned youths over to parents.

Fire alarm in Russell Towers, malicious false alarm.

Car license plate stolen from car in parking lot.

Unauthorized persons in FSC radio station in early morning hours, persons escorted out by campus police officers.

Officers observed male subject attempting to gain entry to various buildings at 4:00a.m., Identified as FSC student and reminded that buildings are closed overnight.

Three separate incidents of harassment reported by three students: one by mail, one by phone, one verbal.

Three separate incidents of larceny of personal property: pocketbook and contents from Campus Center, wallet and contents from resident hall, wallet and contents from Commuter Cafe.

Tampering with FSC parking permit, student's parking privileges revoked, college J-Board action pending.

Vending machine in resident hall broken into, item within stolen.

District Court trial (spring '90 incident) resulted in 100 hours community service, fine and probation for non-student offense against FSC student.

Student EMT's and police responded to resident hall on an alcohol related illness.

Officers dispersed approximately 30 people from Aubuchon Hall area at 1:00a.m. after receiving a complaint of a large, noisy group.

Ambulance transport of injured student from main quad to Burbank Hospital.

Minor motor vehicle accident in Ross Street Lot, no injuries.

Larceny of college property from Hammond Building.

Report of fireworks from Town Houses, officers responded and assisted Resident Life staff in breaking up a party.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

In these turbulent times for the Greek community at Fitchburg State, we the Tokalon Society, would like to try to highlight some of the good things happening around campus. The Tokalon Society, the oldest sorority on campus, sponsors many fund raising events, not only to raise money for our clubs, but for community groups outside the school as well. Last Spring, the Tokalons co-sponsored a walk for AIDS around Fitchburg. Our sisters volunteered

to work checkpoints, hand out drinks, and of course, walk. We also sponsor a child from McKay School for the annual "Deck the Halls" celebration at FSC. Around campus, the Tokalons sponsor such events as "Maid Day," bake sales, and the annual campus-wide student phone directory. This semester, the Tokalons are raffling off two Bruins tickets for a game against the Montreal Canadians.

We would like to make the students and faculty of FSC aware of the good things that are done throughout the Greek community.

There are many good groups who do things for and around the campus and community, and Fitchburg State should sit up and take notice of the wonderful things being done, instead of harping on the bad.

Sincerely,

Amy Bulens
Social Chairperson
Tokalon Society

Strobe survey results

Compiled by Matt Datillo and Mary Davenport
Public Relations

One hundred FSC students took part in a random survey conducted by The Strobe.

Question one asked which class the student belonged to. Thirty-
iors responded similarly:

Question three quizzed the students on their knowledge on when the paper comes out. Only ten students didn't know that The Strobe graces the campus on Wednesday

The fourth question asked where students pick up the paper. Almost half the respondence stated G-Lobby, while thirty said the Commuter's Cafe. Other places on campus that students find The Strobe include the information desk, residence halls, and The Strobe office.

In response to question five, twenty-eight respondants believe

the news is the most useful section of the paper. Of course twenty-two students believe the personals are more useful. Sports, announcements, and commentaries also received a significant amount of votes.

Question six asked what the paper could do without. Most responses revealed a dislike of reused photos and the large "Wanted" ad. A significant amount of respondants dislike the personals section, most of them juniors or seniors.

Thirty-six students checked off the personals as their favorite section in question seven. Eighteen students enjoy the sports section the most, while the arts and entertainment received a large portion of votes.

What would you like to see more of in The Strobe asked question eight. This was the most avoided question on the survey. Those that did express an idea

had some interesting thoughts. One student would like to see more local entertainment listings, while another thought a student created comic strip would be welcomed. We at the paper are taking some of these ideas into consideration. The Strobe always welcomes good ideas, as well as good people, so bring your ideas and/or yourself to our office to volunteer and gain experience, we don't bite - we bark alot.

Less than one-third of those surveyed read even half of The Strobe. Forty-two students read three to five articles per week. Twenty-four students read five articles to the whole paper.

The Strobe thanks all those students who took the few minutes of their time to answer our survey. We appreciate your comments and suggestions.

Commentary

The Capitalism in Christmas

by Nik Jones
Contributing writer

With Thanksgiving over, Christmas is not only around the corner but on the street. And with Christmas comes a myriad of capitalism commercialism, and for me, cynicism.

Every year it gets harder and harder for me to buy presents for people. I am convinced that the world of retail has once again tricked me into buying at least \$200 worth of "good cheer" for my loved ones. No, I don't have to spend that much for only ten people, but if I don't, I feel as though I'm cheap. In fact, an average of \$20 a gift may be considered relatively low, but it's the most I can afford on an honest college student's salary.

No, no one is forcing me to spend a red cent, but that wonderful feeling of guilt will overwhelm me by the time I even look at my first gift. "Scrooge," they'll say. "what a grinch!"

It's words like that, which virtually force me to buy, much to retailer's glee. I suppose not buying for Christmas is much like not celebrating Christmas. And if you don't celebrate Christmas, you must be a hermit.

I figure I could form the Anti-Christmas Society. This group will get together twice a week and complain about how Christmas is too commercialized and how the true meaning of it is gone. For fun, we'll break Christmas records over our knee and sing dirty lyrics to Christmas carols. Then we'll go out and harass any people buying "real" Christmas trees by telling them they're killing an innocent tree for their own cultural worship.

No, this will never work because I'll be the only member. Don't get me wrong, I just get carried away sometimes. I just think that Christmas has become an entity unto its own, a monster that grows larger and larger every year. Soon Halloween will join Thanksgiving as holidays overlooked. By the year 2000, as soon as people put away the grill on Labor Day, Christmas decorations will go up. Naturally, no one will think this is strange.

Of course, by that time I'll have lost it. I'll have long, stringy hair and a grizzly beard as I wander the streets screaming about capitalism in Christmas. I'll be ignored, though. "What a scrooge," they'll say, as they shell out \$150 for a "Brooks Brothers" cashmere sweater. "He just doesn't understand the true meaning of Christmas."

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Shanley said fraternities involved in hazing are subject not only to punishment by the state laws, but also the laws which the college community are asked to live by.

"Hazing is one thing we will not budge on, we can't budge on it," he said. "We, as any other college, have our own laws which we live by."

Because of its life-threatening potential, hazing is given top priority at F.S.C. "We want to give students a safe environment in which to learn and live."

Even though more people die each year because of falling coconuts than hazing accidents, Shanley said the administration will stick by its laws. "Acts of God are unpreventable, hazing accidents are preventable."

The Fenwicks are attempting to be reinstated. In a meeting with Mike McNamara, S.O.C. chairperson, it was decided that the fraternity would remove its painted Greek letters off of a rock near Rt. 495 and Rt. 2 (which they did) and provide documented proof of community and campus activities. For example, each year the Fenwicks and the Philos have a Christmas party and gifts for some children at the McKay School. However, McNamara said he is still waiting for the

documentation. "They haven't responded since I've written to them late in September," he said.

Shanley concedes that fraternities and sororities are helpful but they have an obligation. "We understand that fraternities do a lot of good. 99% of what they do is commendable, but that does not excuse them of following anti-hazing laws," remarked Shanley.

Willwerth said there is another stumbling block between the Fenwicks and McNamara. "The basic standstill point McNamara and we came to was he wanted to negate any form of initiation we used to have, which he knows absolutely nothing about."

Dana Harrington, a Mohawk, agrees because he thinks fraternities and sororities need a period of time to settle into a new way of doing things. "The alumni don't appreciate it and it's hard to pick up and totally change."

Willwerth said this is an unreasonable request. "I'd guarantee anything in pledging is not harmful to an individual, physically or mentally."

Willwerth stated the Fenwicks, other fraternities and sororities have nothing against the administration. "All we want is a fair shake. That was the whole idea behind the sit-in. And we feel we're not getting a fair shake."



Stick Cat decided he is not taking signals...

FEATURES

Dr. Moon supports classical strategy

by Thomas Mullings
Strobe staff

Dr. John Moon, history professor, said the United States would be much better off with an economic blockade rather than a show of force. Even though Moon sees this blockade as effective, he would not be surprised with war. "The United States is do damn impatient," he claims.

In the event of an actual war between the U.S. and Iraq, Moon feels the best strategy would be an invasion of Iraq. He believes the air superiority would favor the U.S. because their air force could knock out the Iraq air force, missiles and chemical warfare facilities.

Moon said there would be fewer casualties through this campaign than a frontal attack. But, nevertheless, the casualties would be many either way. "We're dealing with an enemy army that has been bloodied in war," he said. "Victory is usually harder than imagined to be and casualties are higher than expected."

He believes the military should have specific objectives in case of trouble. "If we do go to war then the objective should be to defeat the Iraqi army and stay away from bombing civilians. If we target civilians, then the popular reaction in the Middle East will be sharp and prolonged. It'll raise anti-Americanism."

The negative reaction in America towards the conflict with Iraq is partly perception. "Many think this is a war for cheap oil. Most parents see kids jeopardized for cheap oil."

According to Dr. Erishi, philosophy professor, when we talk about oil, it is Kuwait and Saudi Arabia's, not the world's oil. He further explained that Kansas and Nebraska do not produce grain for the world. He believes that a country should "use it's resources deemed as appropriate and let each country decide its market."

If there is a suffering nation, claimed Erishi, the best interest is to sell oil at the best market price. If we believe in the market economy, prices will be reasonable. He continued to explain oil is not worth dying for. Moon said the reasons behind the deployment of America troops is not cheap oil or even the invasion of Kuwait. "If Kuwait was the only issue in this we would have done nothing except protest."

The trouble was caused by three separate incursions of Iraqi troops into Saudi Arabia. If the United States didn't deploy its military rapidly, Saddam Hussein may have invaded. "The real issue is if he moved into Saudi Arabia, the next worry is Jordan. If he invaded Jordan, there would have been a first class war between Iraq and Israel," according to Moon.

This changed perspective in Washington "when it looked like he'd go beyond." Moon said Hussein is not a madman, just crafty and unscrupulous. He thinks Hussein would be willing to pull out of Kuwait but never disarm his nation. Under these circumstances there would "definitely be a war."

The cause for concern is his possession of chemical and alleged biological weapons. But even more frightening is nuclear weapons, which he could have between two and ten years time.

"We'll have to deal with those issues but at this point, it's not a cause to go to war," Moon stated.

Moon said Bush's performance now will make or break his Presidency. He handled the deployment with skill, but recently there has been some slippage from the Commander in Chief.

The Iraq crisis should teach our leaders something, claimed Moon. "The lesson of this crisis is that in the future we should have U.N. force, which could be set in a crisis like this. It would be better under the U.N. flag (instead of the U.S.)," Moon believes.

Sex, Lies and Fitchburg State

by Phyllis Leane
Heath Services

Due to changing technology, there are many options for birth control in the 90's. Depending on frequency, price, and need, there are many methods to choose from if you wish to prevent pregnancy. When used appropriately (meaning being taken every day), the birth control pill can be 99.5% effective for unwanted pregnancies. The diaphragm, when used appropriately, (meaning placement with spermicidal jelly every time you have genital contact), can be 98% effective against pregnancy. Also, there are other methods such as the cervical cap, the contraceptive sponge, and contraceptive foam which when used appropriately can be highly effective.

tive.

Although these are all good methods of birth control, there is a common misconception surrounding contraception and its effectiveness. All of the above are good methods which will help in preventing pregnancy but most of them do not protect you against sexually transmitted diseases.

The birth control pill, although a highly effective method of contraception offers no protection against sexually transmitted disease such as Chlamydia, Syphilis, and AIDS. The reason is that if there is infection in either partner, it will be transmitted through sperm or secretions during genital sexual contact. Although the diaphragm and spermicidal foam may offer some protection by blocking the entrance of the cer-

vix, if there is the slightest tear in the vaginal wall then infection can pass from partner to partner.

If you are looking for a method that will protect you against pregnancy, the best option would be using a condom in conjunction with your regular form of birth control. The condom works by shielding the passing of sperm and possible infection from partner to partner. When used as a back up to your regular form of contraception, this method can be up to 100% effective against pregnancy and against sexually transmitted diseases. Keep in mind though that for condoms to be most effective, they need to be used every time, and at the beginning of sexual genital contact.

Autumn Warrior Weekend provides hands-on experience

by Teresa Mattick
Contributing writer

Keep my distance. Five meters between myself and the guy in front of me, but how far is five meters? Nobody ever told me. At least it's a warm night for November, maybe too warm because I'm starting to sweat.

But that's ok, just six more miles to go, a stroll in the park. And then it's finally time for some long awaited sleep, and I know I'll sleep well because it's been an endless, difficult day, but well-worth the effort.

Although the name of the weekend training exercise was Autumn Warrior, the weather was more like summer, a perfect plus for some of the best and most challenging training that ROTC offers, including a night-time 10

kilometer road march.

Throughout the school semester, Reserve Officer Training Corps students learn the tactical and leadership skills it takes to be an Army officer. However, much of the training is in the classroom with little opportunity for hands-on practice. Thus, the annual fall and spring exercises are an exciting way to put our training to the test.

Perhaps the highlight of the Autumn Warrior exercise was the firing of our M16 rifle which isn't something students usually learn in college. The instructors taught us the one basic skill that every soldier must know: how to fire our weapons. It's a serious task, and safety is always important, but it really is a lot of fun, at least when you're firing

at paper targets.

Another important training lesson was both day and night land investigation. It's really very simple if you can read a map, identify terrain features, follow a compass exactly, and keep an accurate pace count. OK, so maybe it isn't so easy, but it's certainly more exciting than a classroom lecture.

Actually, none of the ROTC training is really easy, especially when you have to wake up at 5:30 a.m. to a breakfast of dehydrated, prepackaged food with a shelf-life of ten years.

ROTC also offers a unique learning experience you cannot get from your other classes. At least I know my history professor can't teach me the finer points of how to conduct a tactical road march or how to survive under a direct enemy ambush.

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Mystery "X" vandalizes library property

by Andrea Wallace
Strobe staff

For the past three months, the library staff has been forced to deal with a problem created by someone who does not agree with how the budget is being spent. According to library director Robert Foley, someone has been arbitrarily pulling books off the shelf, taking out the circulation cards and discarding them in the stairwell. One such card included a note stating, "Cut down your budget and sell books that don't get use. I would sell this book for \$2.95. Then buy one's that would get use. You will be finding more cards today if you don't follow my demands." The note was signed "X."

The library's collection of books

(fourth floor and reference section) totals 129,000. According to Foley, external circulation last year was 35,212. Studies show that external circulation usually equals internal circulation (with some overlap of titles).

This would mean that approximately 70,000 books were circulated last year alone.

The library staff goes through a regular weeding process to keep the collection up to date. Each librarian is assigned to a subject area. The age and condition of the books are considered. Certain ones are withdrawn and put into circulation, donated or discarded. "We can't sell the books because they're property of the state," says Foley.

The library purchases books in several ways. A vender in New

Hampshire sends books monthly. The professional staff looks at each book individually and votes on whether to purchase it or send it back. The staff also consults professional library journals that list book reviews. In addition, faculty and students make suggestions on books to purchase. If the book is over \$100 however, or if the library already has a copy, the staff votes on whether or not to buy the book.

The bottom line, according to Foley, is that the library staff is following established guidelines for the order and purchase of books. The budget is dealt with in a professional manner. Although forty percent of the collection usually takes care of eighty percent of the needs, the collection must still serve the remaining twenty percent.

CHS speaker shares career success

by Michelle Long
Strobe staff

Are you a Communication/Media student with a 3.2 GPA in your Comm/Media classes and a 3.0 overall GPA? If you answered yes to these questions then the Communication Honor Society wants you. According to Dr. Lee DeNike and Jacqui Lacoy, the co-founders of the Communication Honors Society, the purpose is to recognize the academic excellence achieved by the students in the department.

After being recognized as an organization last semester, the group got off the ground by holding a bake sale. This semester the members will be bringing in guest speakers to help students with portfolio development and to provide insights into various career fields. According to Dave Shilale, the president of the Communication Honor Society, "We hope these professionals and others will give us, the students, an idea on what to prepare for and look forward to in the communication field."

On Tuesday November 13th, the Communication Honor Society presented it's first guest speaker, Kim Brady, Assistant Art Director at Hill Holiday Advertising Agency in Boston. Brady provided some background on Hill Holiday, showed her portfolio, and



Dave Shilale, President of Communication Honor Society and Kim Brady

Photo by Michelle Long

discussed possible careers in advertising.

With a staff of 300, Hill Holiday is one of the largest agencies in Boston and also has branches in New York, Los Angeles, Hong Kong, and London. Although the

staff is so large, Brady stated that all typesetters and photographers are freelance. Clients of Hill Holiday include Reebok, Spaulding, Lotus, John Hancock, Infiniti, Hyatt Resorts, Harvard Community Health Plan, and Rolling Rock.

As Assistant Art Director, Brady was involved in the Infiniti campaign. Although the critics "panned" the campaign, she pointed out that when you mention the rock and tree ads, which is how she refers to them, everyone knows

cording to Brady, "as much money as you spend on research, you never really know what people will say."

Another controversial campaign created by Hill Holiday, was the Reebok campaign. This ad featured professional bungee jumpers. The jumper wearing the Reebok sneakers stayed attached to his cord, while only the sneakers remained on the other cord. Even though Reebok was pleased with the ad, due to strong opposition, the ad was removed from the air after only three days. Brady also summarized the steps necessary and the people needed in creating an ad campaign.

For those interested in a career in advertising, Brady offered several pieces of advice. Be persistent, keep calling, remember contacts that you have made, accept criticism, and be willing to make changes. For the graphics majors, she said that the "best way" to get into an agency is through the mechanical department.

Through the FSC Communication/Media department, Brady had interned in both large and small agencies. She says, larger agencies tend to be "account driven" while smaller agencies are more "creative driven." According to Brady, an internship is definitely a valuable experience.

If you would like more information on becoming a member of the Communication Honor Society, please contact Dave Shilale or the Comm/Media department.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Scraps of Life: Symbols of resistance

by Dianne Brown
Strobe staff

Organized by the Boston Public Library and funded by the New England Foundation for the Arts, the "Scraps of Life" exhibition will be on display at the Fitchburg State Art Gallery through December 6.

The exhibition consists of 41 appliqued and hand embroidered tapestries with descriptions from Chilean women on what inspired their works. The work is called "Arpillera," the Spanish word for burlap, since the backing cloth is of

burlap or other feed grain sacks. These women began making arpilleras in 1974 during the Pinochet regime as a means to support their families. However, the tapestries were not allowed to be shown or sold in Chile and have thus become symbols of resistance.

The arpilleras demonstrate the power of unschooled self-expression. The tapestries are created from scraps of left over material such as yarn or other discarded objects. The designs are often child-like using cut-out silhou-

ettes to represent people, trees, cars, buildings, and other objects. Several arpilleras strive for a three dimensional effect, with human figures built up under layers of cloth and yarn like miniature rag dolls.

The exhibition is a response to the consequences of political oppression. Chilean women have created tapestries of such expressive power, they are banned in their own country. Experience these controversial tapestries for yourself at the Fitchburg Art Gallery.

The chronicles of Rush

by Billy Marsden
Contributing writer

Just in time for the holidays, Mercury Records has released "Chronicles," a double CD, two cassette collection of the greatest hits from the trio from Toronto, Rush.

Due out last winter, this set was delayed due to the band's protest that it would interfere with the release of their latest studio effort, "Presto," the first of hopefully many albums with Atlantic Records.

The first disc takes us on a journey through the years 1974-1980, featuring such classics as "Work-

ing Man," "Fly By Night," "2112 Overture," "Temple of Syrinx," and "Closer to the Heart." Ten other songs are presented, as well, including a live version of "What're You Doing," deleted from the CD due to lack of space.

The second CD continues the journey in the years 1981-1989. The classics here include "Tom Sawyer," "Limelight," "Red Barchetta," "Subdivision," "Force 10" and nine more, including a live version of "Passage to Bangkok," also deleted from the CD due to lack of space. You will also find a live version of "Mystic Rhythms" and the track "Show

Don't Tell," from the "Presto" album.

You should also be aware, Rush fans, that a music video of the same name will soon be released. It contains all their videos, including "Closer to the Heart," "Lock and Key," not featured on any previous Rush releases, "Mystic Rhythms," and nine more. The hour long collection will sell for roughly \$20.

Despite the price tags, these collections are musts for Rush addicts. With the holiday season upon us, put these gifts from the Great White North at the top of your wish list this year.

Addicted to Jane

by Brian Flaherty
Strobe staff

On Saturday, November 23, Jane's Addiction exploded into musical funk at the Orpheum Theater. Despite the audience's misfortune to be standing in the rain, they stuck it out for a rocking concert.

The band came on stage surrounded by miniature temples and Latin-American worshipping booths such as the ones on the original cover of their latest album, "Ritual De Lo Habitual." The show opened up with the mellow song, "Up the Beach," the first track off their prior album "Nothing's Shocking." During the melodic bass lines and whining guitars, Perry Farrell lifts his bottle into the air and chugs it down. The crowd then screamed with excitement as bassist Eric A started into the song, "Whores," about becoming aware and having

respect for the low self-esteem and embarrassment prostitutes must face every day.

The music is metal funk, including heavy bass lines, wailing guitars, and bouncy bongo-like drums. The band is notorious for inspiring slam-dancing and highly active dancing as well. The song "Three Days" starts off with a great bass line and Farrell reading poetry. Guitarist David Nivaro then joins in with gentle strumming. At first, Farrell sings in a psychedelic fashion but then follows the fast paced rhythm of the music. By the middle of the song the audience was jumping up and down, throwing their arms and heads around wildly and slamming into the other people around them.

The drum solo by Stephen Perkins is one of the dark continent, stirring up voodoo gods and witches. The real metal side of the

band then kicks in toward the end of the song as Perry screams, "Stick em up!" The response from the 26,000 in the crowd would most likely result in an abundance of sore necks the following morning.

During the song, "Ted Just Admit It," the crowd sings "Sex Is Violent" in unison with Farrell. In the middle of "Pigs in Zen" instead of demanding the audience to sing him a song, Farrell tells the crowd a story about his days in junior high.

"I looked in the mirror and said, 'I look like I could be a singer. I don't sound like a singer, but I look like one.'" With his dreadlocks mostly black, but susceptible to color change, Farrell definitely does look like a singer. Songs like "Nobody's Leaving," "Stop," and "Mountain Song," confirm that Farrell and the band have proven beyond a doubt that practice has paid off.

Costner creates classical masterpiece

by Mark Cassio
Contributing writer

There has been no massive media hype as with "Batman." There are no elaborate special effects like "Star Wars." There is no all-star cast as in "Glory." Yet "Dances With Wolves" is a marvelous epic film.

This three hour masterpiece was directed by and stars Kevin Costner ("Field of Dreams"). The film co-stars a host of genuine American Indians whose performances are spectacular.

Costner stars as Lieutenant John Dunbar of the Union Army in the Civil War 1860's. The film opens with a badly wounded and depressed Dunbar. After a bizarre but heroic suicide attempt, the officer is decorated, treated, and granted leave to any military post in the land.

Dunbar chooses his life long dream, a fort on the western frontier. When he arrives at the tiny complex, no other soldiers are alive. Relying on his vast supplies, Dunbar decides to stay and await reinforcements.

This passage provides some insight into the introduction of the film. It is not appropriate to continue summarizing the plot, however. The mere words of this writer cannot (and should not) begin to relay the vast scenery and high emotion of the film. One must sit and absorb all the visual and audio images to fully appreciate its excellence.

"Dances With Wolves" is a much overdue tribute to the original persons of America. The Indian cast portrays the nomadic Lakota Sioux tribe. These men and women are not shown as stereotypical savages but as highly intelligent, skillful, and non-wasteful environmentalists. They live in conjunction with nature, taking only what is needed for survival.

The brilliantly filmed scenes draw the viewer onto the buffalo filled plains or into the wintry foothills of the Rockies. The culture of the Sioux is vividly displayed throughout. Many careful steps were taken to preserve every detail of the Indian mannerisms. Much of the dialogue is genuine Lakota Sioux with English subtitles. This style adds powerful realism, is easy to follow, and is far from overbearing.

This film possesses fast paced action, intense drama, and imaginative comedy. The backbone of the film is a number of highly emotional and tear-jerking scenes that help keep the audience enthralled for the entire 180 minutes.

"Dances With Wolves" is the first film of this decade destined to be a classic. Kevin Costner took some chances in order to give the public a rich and powerful movie. Moviegoers everywhere will be thankful that he went out on a limb to bring us this amazing film.



FSC jazz band performs at noontime notes Photo by Michelle Long

Arts & Entertainment Continued

Vai is applicant for legendary status

by Tim Kane
Strobe staff

Musical Metaphysics might have its place in the music industry of the 21st century, but Steve Vai's view of the future falls short of his metaphysical preconception. "Passion and Warfare," Steve Vai's second solo effort, is theme oriented. The theme revolves around a dream he had as a sixteen year-old. Instrumental music is a rarity, and never seems to become popular as an entire lp, yet Vai succeeds in creating an album experience that takes you on a journey.

Opening this album is a tune called "Liberty." This song does everything from laying a melodic ballad overtone to upholding a magical guitar anthology status. Think of the group Yes and Pink Floyd and you'll have a comfortable understanding of Vai's song-writing capabilities.

Entering his dream state, he speaks of "Erotic Nightmares" on the second track. The engineering that is delicately textured between omnidirectional guitar overdubs and solos that battle each other from right to left speakers is amazing. Steve Vai sure learned a few things about groove/rock from Whitesnake. What is strange about the tune is his introduction dual guitar characters. Surprisingly Vai ended in a blissful sample of guitar riff being flushed down the toilet. "The Animal," placing third in his novel, centers around the tightly patterned R&B feel with Vai demonstrating his knowledge of dorian and chromatic keys with the dexterity of a butterfly.

I was starting to wonder if the only one on the lp that had any groove-funk chops was Stu Hamm,

bass wizard extraordinaire. Then bang, Vai punches in with a starving funk tune, oddly enough called "Answers" which changed my mind about his being funk handicapped. This tune kicked ass!

After hearing "Answers," the fifth track entitled "The Riddle" chose a more dissonant texture. There was no real meat to the song, it was like Vai soloing over a rhythm programmer.

Ending the first side was a star embodied in his danceable strings on the track, "Ballerina 12/24." It was weird to hear classical acoustic guitar. This tune has a new-age folk sound to it. Oddly, at the end of the song was a sample of a guy snorting cocaine. The final track on this side was "For the Love of God." I had to look twice at the credits to see if David Gilmore guest appeared on this song. Vai played on top of a slow groove beat with power chords every four beats.

The musicians who performed in the studio cannot go unnoticed. Stu Hamm is an incredible studio and live bass artist. Elegantly mixed with Chris Frazier, who's into poly-rhythmic, funk-fusion drumming, the two set the base for Vai to float upon. Frazier and Hamm play in sync parts, but they also go their own diverse ways. Theme albums take a lot of creativity to maintain a steady beat while enhancing the musical chemistry as well.

Vai's MTV tune "The Audience is Listening" merges a jazz beat with a hard rock limelight. Again he utilizes his dual guitar chops with a sound similar to the band Alcatraz. "I Would Love To" centers around a rock/pop song with enough extra guitar effects to save it from being labeled a "Rocky" theme song. It had an interesting bridge

though.

A slow R&B feel is evident on "Blue Powder" which noted in the song's biography, is a anti-drug tune. There are real chops delivered from Chris Frazier with Stu Hamm in the funky bridge. A notable element of this composition is Vai's ability to take an ordinary R&B chord progression, and spice it up to create an entirely new environment within the basic style.

"Greasy Kid's Stuff" is the same type of poppy, verse-chorus song as "I Would Love To." Vai has to be careful with writing this type of material, because the simplicity creates predictability. I'm sure he doesn't want to be in the position where he has fillers between his real songs.

The ballad, "Sisters" resembles some work with the glamour man himself, David Lee Roth. It did become repetitious after a minute or so, but it was a treat to hear.

Closing Vai's album is a progressive fusion song called "Love Secrets." A fast African type of beat is the focus on this one. I think it was a great way to end the album. It basically was musicians jamming in an electric jazz style.

Crossing many musical paths, Steve Vai's education in classical, jazz, funk, heavy metal, and folk music makes him an applicant to legendary status. It does take more than just music knowledge though, he is quite the philosopher as well. A character is a very important role to nail down, especially when your focus is instrumental music. All in all, "Passion and Warfare" takes you down a road where you can discover your own interpretation of the music instead of a vocalist dictating it to you.

The alternative top ten

by Mike Matteson
Strobe staff

Here are my picks for the top ten alternative albums of the year 1990. All are worth checking out.

10. Aztec Camera "Stray"
9. 808 "Utd. State 90"
8. Nitzer Ebb "Showtime"
7. Jack Rubies "See The Money In My Smile"
6. Peter Murphy "Deep"
5. Sisters of Mercy "Vision Thing"
4. Revolting Cocks "Beers, Steers, and Queers"
3. Mussolini Headkick "Blood on the Flag"
2. Jellyfish "Bellybutton"
1. Dave Stewart and the Spiritual Cowboys (self-titled)

Honorable mentions: Boot-sauce "The Brown Album," Skinny Puppy "Too Dark Park," Hothouse Flowers "Home," Lightning Seeds "Cloudcuckooland," O-Positive "Toyboat, Toyboat, Toyboat," The Beautiful South "Choke," Ultra Vivid Scene "Joy 1967-1990," The Darling Buds "Crawdaddy," Jane's Addiction "Ritual de lo Habitual," Pixies "Bossanova," and Sonic Youth "Goo."

Since Feeling is First

Since feeling is first
Who pays attention
To the syntax of things
Will never wholly kiss you;

Wholly to be a fool
While spring is in the world

My blood approves,
And kisses are a better fate
Than wisdom
Lady I swear by all flowers. Don't cry
-The best gesture of my brain is less than
Your eyelid's flutter which says

We are for each other: then
Laugh, leaning back in my arms
For life's not a paragraph

And death I think is no parenthesis

by Kelly Buckowski
Strobe staff

The poem "Since Feeling is First" by e.e. Cummings, mainly expresses an attitude towards the "feeling" and "thinking" in a loving relationship. In order to fully experience the emotions and feelings within such a relationship, it is necessary to avoid the "syntax of things," the standards of counterbalancing, the "thinking" and "feeling" within a relationship that is set by society. It is best for lovers to create standards that suit and complement their loving relationship, which in turn enhances the spontaneity of it. "Feeling," rather than "thinking," would then prevail in the relationship, thus making it acceptable for lovers to kiss when they desired to kiss. As Cummings states, "and kisses are a better fate / than wisdom."

Cummings believes that life, "a paragraph," and death, "parenthesis," are two separate elements. Love indeed predominates in life and is the spiritual extension of life into death.

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Claire,
New time changes!!! Times are now from whenever I feel like starting and feel like stopping. P.S. You will receive a printed copy of the rules upon your return next semester.
-The rule maker and thinker

Steve, Jeff & Chris,
It's not over 'til it's over!
Woooooohoooo!
Love, Adam

Stacey M.,
I missed you in writing!
Love, ????

Mesomorphic body shapes rule us blindly
stealing our eyes, imitates beauty only to see though
untainted, false colored....false. Perhaps there will be interest in below the skin. Is it likely?
- Nicholls Nov. 1990

BR5-Women
Happy Holidays!
-Drea

BR4, C14, Cr4
Happy Holidays! From your wonderful RA Andrea

Attention Strobe Editors:
What the hell happened to the sports page this year? Signed The FSC sports fans

Kim & Val,
Jonathan and Danny called to say "Hello!"
Drea

Attention Spring Breakers:
Bahamas, Cancun, Jamaica, Panama City - Florida all have plenty space available, but filling up fast! For more info contact Michelle Montgomery @ 342-4612 or 342-5880.

Jodie B.,
You are beautiful, smart, sexy!! I'm still waiting for a phone call or even a letter. I'm going to miss you over the break.

FSC President Mara:
Does the cost of administration exceed the cost of actual teachers? If so, stop hiring administrative personnel. They are not benefiting the students. We need professors in the classroom. So instead of increasing tuition every semester, tighten your belt and let some of the administration go. We the students do not feel this a proper way to run the college.

Michelle,
A bro for me and a bro for you. But first you have to do that ONE DEED and you will too!
Kelly

G, G & Friends
Thanks for making this semester suck. We really appreciate people like you. We wish there were more people like you to harrass us.

Wendy,
Fear not, I shall protect you.
Mr. X

Todd,
Thanks for everything. You have made my 1st semester here the best! I'll miss you. I love you!
Love, ME

Pat,
Thanks for being such a good friend! By the way here's your personal, now you owe me!
Love, Cathy

Buckley,
Eddie wasn't capable of satisfying the pleasurable side of your relationship.
A Concerned Physician

TH604
I'll miss you guys! This semester has been the best!! (Don't worry I'll be back to visit!!)
Love ya!! Amy

Andrea,,
Please stop trying to steal my pumpkin negatives. Get your own 4.0 pictures. L.C

ANDREA W
Try not to bring your boyfriend to the photo lab anymore, or else we will have to invest in a pooper-scooper to clean up the mess.
Concerned Students

ANDREA
Roses are red, violets are blue. I'm a much better photo student than you.

Sharlene-
What??

Lucky,
Where's my gold??? Am I ever going to get it back??

Attention FSC Babes:
WINTER CARNIVAL DATES
NEEDED CALL 342-5614 FOR MORE INFO

Dear ???
We're glad you responded. We just aren't sure what you mean. If you'd like to tell us write to Box 4464
The Christian Fellowship

Does anyone know how to use spell check????
Kim,
I'm feeling the blues - let's go Bowling!!
Colleen

Pierre,
A lifetime of thanks would never be enough to express my gratitude of all your help lately. I love you for everything. Thanks for being such a great roommate!
Love, Geenie the "Dude"

Chipper,
You are a great friend. We hope that we will always be friends. Thanks for the encouragement!
Love, Tammi & Jenni

Huuunney,
I can't wait to spend the holidays with you! I love you, forever! I'm wicked hanging!
Love, Huuunney

Voices from the Hell hole are back and they won't be silenced.

Boping Bare Butt,
Glad to see that we were able to add another 10 wonderful nights to our already existing 100.
Still Counting, Poof

"Come unto me, all ye that labour and are weary laden and I will give you rest... For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." - Jesus (Matt. 11:28 & 30)

Jerry & Mark,
You wanna bet? Time's up - you lose!!

Maria, Jen & Krista-
Happy Birthdays!!

D & D,
You two are probably the most annoying and irresponsible people we've ever had to deal with.

Crano,
Why can't we get too close to you? Where have you been?

Do you have room in your apartment for another person this Christmas Break? Send any info to box 4614

Elda-
Well...Do you get it?

DMW,
Remember what they always say, "If it feels good, do it."
KBE

Meeghan,
Why don't you change your clothes after you do that famous walk?
Love, Chris

To the Bon Jovi Fan Club-
Elections are complete. We have officially began the 24 Bon Jovi record listening. Join! Join! Join! President

Becky C,
I know what you have been doing! You had better watch out because I'm watching you!
Love, Secret Santa

IVCF -
Thanks for a great semester - looking forward to many more - I love you all.
Kris

Peggy thanks for your friendship & the flower. Good luck on exams
Kris

Andrea,
Thanks for being such a great friend - Prov. 17:17
Kris

Colleen,
Congrats! We'll miss you. Thanks for your great friendship. Prov. 17:17 & Prov. 3:5&6

Kris

Tanya,
Bless your heart! JK
Kris

A yellow ribbon tied around my bed and my heart waiting for your return. You'll be OK. I love you

Chris,
I'm sorry. I still love you. Can't we try?
Love, Gary

To FSC,
Let's stop quarreling amongst ourselves and start loving one another. Let's join together in the Christmas spirit.
Love, Loghead

Ed,
If only tonight we could sleep in a bed made of flowers.
C

Do you want to switch glasses one more time?

Dear Christian Fellowship Friends,
Thank you so much for my birthday party! God bless you all! Smile Jesus loves you!
Your friend in Christ, Jane

Betty,
How dumb can you be? If you're not enrolled in classes here you can't go to them. Why would I lie? How did you get in your position anyway? Obviously not through college. Did you even go to high school?
Radical Nurse

Cyndy-
Thanks for always being there! I don't know what I would have done without you! I wish you the best of luck in whatever you decide to do!
Cathy

Carla and Dot,
There was a farmer...
Cathy and Cyndy

Winnie,
Where does our plane land?
Love, Nickadoo

Leah,
Happy Birthday! Too bad your not 21 yet!
Love, Tina

Herman,
You sap! Here's your damn personal! Next time you see me in G-Lobby and don't speak, you are going to get wrecked! Yes, by me!
Michelle W.

Colleen,
I want to go bowling! Cats are awesome!
Kris

IVCF,
Good luck on Exams!

Ed McGill,
I heard 2 out 3 ain't bad.

Love, Peeping Tom
p.s. You should have covered the hole in the door.

Joe,
Here's to an awesome 7 months and I'm looking forward to many more. I love you!!
Tammy

Michelle W.,
It must be an epidemic

Kim S.
Thanks for the talks. You're a sweetheart.
Shawn

Michelle in Aub. 204:
I may fart a lot, but you make sure that the whole building knows about it. Go ahead, make Aubuchon into a hot smelly air balloon!
- Two distressed roomies

Hey Munty,
Stop going to campus pizza and ordering an Italian (she's busy).
Campus owner

IVCF,
I'm outta here! I'm going back to "Chemsfud!" Thanks for everything.
Colleen

To the writer of Sports Symposium,
Let me tell you just one thing. First of all the Boston Bruins are in first place! Why do you always put them down. Oh, by the way, where is Hartford?! Thank you.
Avid Bruins Fan!

Lost:
One white male, tall with brown hair. Name: Stevie, last seen at the photo lab. Where about unknown. Any information contact his friends.

To the guys in B5-
At least he has someone that loves him!
Brian's Girlfriend

To the 11:30 Christian Lunch Group,
Thanks for your great friendship. I love you all. I'll miss the great fellowship & fun. Prov. 17:17
Kris

Wanted one man to buy me dinner!! Send photo and bank statements.

Can Man!!
aahuhhahahahu, how's your photo collection? aahuhhahahahu.

Leslie
We heard you were burping in the library. Shame on you for trying to blame it on you know who (aahuhhahahahu).

PERSONALS ARE GAY!!!!!!
J.S.,
Someday? (through Laurie?)
K.

P.L., Time for another walk in the rain?
D.E.

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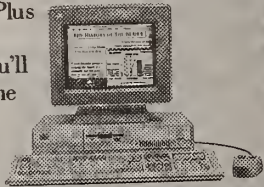
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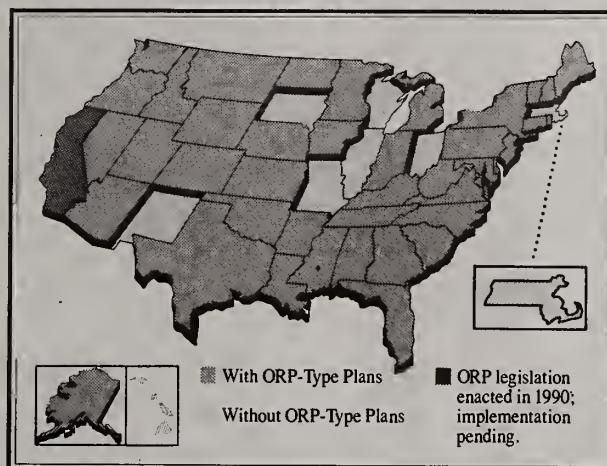
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SPORTS

FSC athletes Sports Symposium honored

by Dave Marsh
Sports Information Director

Eleven Fitchburg State College athletes were honored recently for their performances this past fall season.

Heading the list is Jason Malone, a junior from Plymouth, Massachusetts, who was named to participate in the New England Intercollegiate Soccer League All-Star game. The NEISL game features the top soccer players throughout New England in all divisions. In addition to that honor, Malone was named First Team All-MASCAC for the second straight year, as he helped Fitchburg State College finish 10-5-1, second place in the MASCAC. He led the conference in scoring with 18 goals and 10 assists for 46 total points. With a year remaining, Malone stands out as Fitchburg State's second all-time leading scorer with 106 points.

Gaining Second Team All-MASCAC soccer honors were Hank Cook, a senior from Hadley, Massachusetts, and Mike Cirillo, a sophomore from Marlboro, Massachusetts. Cook earned the award for his determined, heady play in the backfield. The fiery competitor scored one goal this year, the game winner in FSC's 5-3 win over Mass. Maritime. Cirillo is a mid-fielder who was second on the team in scoring with 5 goals and 10 assists for 20 points.

In field hockey, the Falcons placed four players on the MASCAC squads. Team leading scorer, Jen Kapenas, earned First Team honors for her 11 goals, 4 assist season. The Townsend, Massa-

chusetts junior tied a school record with 15 total points of the year. She was second in the conference in scoring. Junior Joyce Dunigan, a Westford, Massachusetts native, also made First Team All-MASCAC. She posted 4 goals and 8 assists for 12 points on the year. Her assist total tied the school single season mark. Kay Sato, a sophomore from Siasconset, Massachusetts, was the third falcon to make the First Team. Although she scored but one assist, the half back was instrumental in helping FSC improve to 6-8-1 this year. The Falcons finished third in the conference with a 2-2-1 league mark. Making Second Team All-MASCAC was sophomore goalkeeper Gina Urbani. The Framingham, Massachusetts native posted a 1.33 goals against average with two shutouts.

The MASCAC tri-champion volleyball team from Fitchburg State placed two players on the First Team All-MASCAC. Freshman hitter Shelley Jackson, of Methuen Massachusetts, was the Falcon's top spiker and blocker this season. She made an immediate impact on the FSC program in her first season. Junior setter Lisa Downing, a Mattapoisett, Massachusetts native, was the other FSC First Teamer. She improved tremendously over last year to help the Falcons to the MASCAC Championship and their 14-14 season.

The FSC football team's junior tackle Chris Gelinas, a Waltham, Massachusetts native, gained Second Team All-NEFC honors. This was the second straight year Gelinas was honored. Last year, he made the first team as a guard.

by Mike McCrystal
Strobe staff

Florida native Dee Brown never had frost on his windshield before and didn't own an ice scraper so he had to use a spatula.

The Portland Trail Blazers just keep on rolling.

Shaquille O'Neil is one big man.

The tip-off classic ends up being a great game every year. This year's game ended Villanova 93 - LSU 91.

Jim Valuanos progression from coaching to announcing may be a successful one. When I first heard him, I thought he was Dick Vitale with a cold.

I hate those Levis dockers commercials where the preppies are playing either golf or darts.

The A.P.'s top college fight song is "cheer, cheer for Old Notre Dame."

Each year the winner of the Michigan / Minnesota game gets the coveted little brown jug, now there is something to shoot for.

I think it's time Joe Paterno got himself a new tailor. His pants make him look like he's waiting for a flood.

Joe Montana is the first quarterback ever to pass for 3,000 yards in seven consecutive seasons.

Art Monk is only the third receiver to catch 700 passes in his career. The other two are Charlie Joiner and Steve Largent.

Call me crazy, but I get excited when I tune into a Patriots game, I just love watching blow-outs.

Since the NFL changed its play-off policy, it's a good possibility a team with a sub .500 record could get in, what an injustice.

Did you ever notice the ten minute ticker never happens every ten minutes?

ABC's Wide World of Sports and NBC's Sportsworld seem to have vanished.

Monica Seles and Andre Agassi won the ATP world championship of tennis.

The Red Sox are interested in Willie Wilson, which means they would move Ellis Burks to right field.

I think it's safe to say that Hartford / Boston rivalry has officially begun...go Whalers!

When Russ Courtnall cranks it up, he's the most exciting player in the NHL.

Mark Messier has returned to the Edmonton Oilers line up and so have the victories. Is there any question now that he deserved to be the MVP last year.

I was just wondering if the Minnesota North Stars will draw 10,000 fans in any game this year.

Dale Earnhart edged Mark Martin in the final point standings of the NASCAR race circuit.

Against Buffalo, the announcers kept saying Marc Wilson played a great game. I disagree. How can you praise a guy who led his team to no points.

In Denver, a local radio announcer has vowed to stay on a billboard until the Broncos win a game. Imagine if a Boston announcer did this for the Patriots?

Two Falcon players join 1000 Club

by Dave Walsh
Strobe staff

Two Fitchburg State College men's basketball players recently scored their 1,000th career points. Senior Dana Belair scored his 1,000th point in the final game of the 1989-90 season against Salem State in the first round of the MASCAC tournament. Belair, a senior from Townsend, finished the season with 1,004

points overall. Thus far in the 1990-91 season, Belair has been averaging an impressive 22 points a game for the 2-2 Falcons.

Junior Mike Goodchild scored his 1,000th point in Monday evening's 95-84 win over Wentworth Institute of Technology. Goodchild has been averaging just over 20 points a game. He is in hot pursuit of Marty Raynor's school record of 1,517 points set during the 84-85-86 seasons.

by Sandy Lathrop
Strobe staff

The FSC women's basketball team kicked off what looks to be a promising season at the John Jay College Tourney in New York City this weekend. The mighty Falcons fell to Nazareth College on Saturday by a score of 82-64. Fitchburg displayed a superb team

effort to a talented Nazareth team, who was ranked 7th in the country at the end last season. Senior captain Lynn Dorow led her team in scoring with 22 points, 16 of which were in the first half. Sophomore guard, Wendy Woodard coming off of a two week rest due to an ankle injury, added 18 on to the day, sticking three shots from three point range.

Women's hoop went on to blow out Old Westbury College on Sunday, by a score of 84-21. Woodard led the Falcons with 17 points, all of which were in the first half. Dorow came through with another outstanding performance, adding 15 points, which earned her a spot on the All-Tournament Team. Sophomore guard Tina Sottile also tallied 15 points for the day.

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Have a nice break!!